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Contractor License Revocations

RICHMOND – The Virginia Board for Contractors issued six license revocations at its most recent meeting Wednesday, November 16. Following is a summary of the Board's actions.

Copies of the file orders are available online at www.dpor.virginia.gov under "License Lookup." Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

DENNIS GORDON trading as GORDONS MASONRY RUTHER GLEN, VA

File Number 2005-03033

COMPLAINANT – Art Colbert (Bumpass, VA)

CONSENT ORDER TERMS – Gordon failed to operate in the name in which his license was issued; failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; practiced outside his class of license; engaged in misrepresentation and misconduct; and retained funds related to uncompleted contract items.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705073885 and a \$6,600 fine.

JAMES D. BOULLT, JR. trading as BOULLT HOME REPAIR & TREE SERVICE GLOUCESTER, VA

File Number 2005-02925

COMPLAINANT – Billy Laughinghouse (Gloucester, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Boullt failed to apply for new licensure following a change in business entity; practiced outside his class of license; engaged in misconduct by providing false information on a building permit application; failed to obtain written change orders; contracted with an improperly licensed subcontractor; and assisted another in violating the Board's statutes.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705080927 and a \$5,750 fine.

JAE YOUN PARK HOPEWELL, VA

File Numbers 2004-03699 and 2005-02915

COMPLAINANTS – Mario and Carlos Molina-Barrios (Fairfax, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Park failed to satisfy court judgments and failed to respond to an investigator. BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705066409 and a \$5,000 fine.

LEONARD J. HARE trading as L J HARE CROSS JUNCTION, VA

File Number 2005-03984

COMPLAINANT – Amara and Ryan DalPezzo (Warrenton, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Hare practiced outside his class of license; failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to notify the Board of address change.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705083373 and a \$5,700 fine.

GLOBAL CONTRACTING INC. CENTREVILLE, VA

File Number 2005-03621

COMPLAINANT – Khang Nguyen (Sterling, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Global practiced outside its class of license; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705088080 and a \$5,600 fine.

CLARENCE ALLEN BELL, III trading as REALTOR SERVICES MANASSAS, VA

File Number 2005-03552

COMPLAINANT – Doug Sabin (Manassas, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Bell practiced outside his class of license; failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; and retained funds related to uncompleted contract items. BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705086328 and a \$2,150 fine.

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About DPOR and the Board for Contractors:

The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) regulates over 30 commercial occupations and certain professions. The agency licenses or certifies more than 300,000 individuals and businesses ranging from architects and contractors to cosmetologists and professional wrestlers.

DPOR investigates reports of regulatory violations by licensees; pursues complaints of criminal activity by unlicensed practitioners; responds to business-related consumer inquiries and requests for license checks; administers recovery funds for consumers harmed in contractor or real estate transactions; and conducts mediation services and public awareness campaigns.

The Board for Contractors licenses more than 98,500 Virginia businesses and individuals. The Board is composed of a Class A general contractor; a sub-contractor; contractors specializing in utilities, commercial and industrial buildings, single-family residences, and home improvements; a building supplier; a local building official; licensed tradesmen in plumbing, electrical, and heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC); and two citizen members.

The Board administers the Virginia Contractor Transaction Recovery Fund, which provides monetary relief to eligible consumers who incur losses through the improper and dishonest conduct of a licensed contractor. The fund is supported entirely by assessments paid by licensed contractors, not by any tax revenues.

For more information, visit DPOR online at www.dpor.virginia.gov.